

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

August 18, 2004

IN RE:

**PETITION FOR ARBITRATION OF CELLCO PARTNERSHIP
D/B/A VERIZON WIRELESS**

**DOCKET NO.
03-00585**

**PETITION FOR ARBITRATION OF BELL SOUTH MOBILITY
LLC; BELL SOUTH PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS, LLC;
CHATTANOOGA MSA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP;
COLLECTIVELY D/B/A CINGULAR WIRELESS**

**PETITION FOR ARBITRATION OF AT&T WIRELESS PCS, LLC
D/B/A AT&T WIRELESS**

PETITION FOR ARBITRATION OF T-MOBILE USA, INC.

**PETITION FOR ARBITRATION OF SPRINT SPECTRUM L.P.
D/B/A SPRINT PCS**

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST TO AMEND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter came before the Pre-Arbitration Officer upon the joint request of the Commercial Mobile Radio Services Providers and the Rural Coalition of Small LECs and Cooperatives (collectively "the Parties") for an extension of the deadlines for filing post-hearing briefs and post-hearing reply briefs in this matter. The joint request was filed on August 17, 2004.

Pursuant to the Procedural Schedule issued on April 15, 2004, post-hearing briefs are due no later than August 23, 2004 and post-hearing reply briefs are due no later than September 3, 2004. The Parties are requesting that the Procedural Schedule be amended so that the post-hearing briefs would be due no later than September 7, 2004 and the post-hearing reply briefs would be due no later than September 21, 2004. As the basis for the request, the Parties assert

that the additional time will enable them “to provide the TRA with the most complete and thorough analysis of the legal and factual issues presented at the recently concluded hearings”.¹ The Parties have indicated to the Pre-Arbitration Officer their awareness that the extension of time will necessitate the scheduling of the Arbitration Panel’s deliberations on a date sometime after September 30, 2004.

The Pre-Arbitration Officer finds that the request for an extension of time is well-taken and should be granted for the reasons asserted by the Parties. Therefore, the Procedural Schedule is amended as indicated below:

September 7, 2004

Post-hearing briefs shall be filed with the TRA and served on all Parties

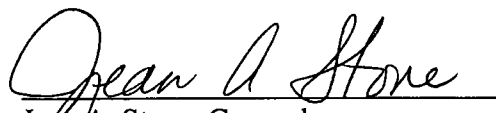
September 21, 2004

Post-hearing reply briefs shall be filed with the TRA and served on all Parties

All filings are due no later than 2:00 p.m. on the dates indicated.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The Procedural Schedule is amended as stated herein.


Jean A. Stone, Counsel
as Pre-Arbitration Officer

¹ Letter from Leon M Bloomfield to Hearing Officer Stone (August 17, 2004)